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Title: DEPLOYMENT APPARATUS FOR SUTURE ANCHORING DEVICE
Assignee: Ethicon, Inc.

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Enclosed herewith please find the following documents in the above-identified application for Letters Patent of the United States:

1 Pages of Abstract
43 Pages of Specification
42 Number of Claims
21 Sheets of Drawings
1 Return-addressed Postcard
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1 Declaration and Power of Attorney (executed)
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Basic Fee

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Additional Fees:

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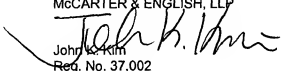
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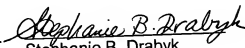
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